GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6587
ANSWERED ON:09.05.2002
MOBILISATION OF FUNDS FOR RAIL PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways need 70, 000 crore rupees for taking up all the projects including giving a facelift to the Railways as suggested by Rakesh Mohan Committee;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the manner in which the amount is likely to be mobilised; and

(d) the proposed contribution of the Government towards this fund?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY O RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) to (d): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6587 BY SHF V. DHINAKARAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 09.05.2002 REGARDING MOBILISATION OF FUNDS FOR RAIL PROJECTS

(a) to (d): The Rakesh Mohan Committee Report has suggested that Indian Railways, in order to pursue a strategic high growth programme, requires an annual investment of about Rs. 14,000 to 15,000 crore per year from 2002 to 2006, about Rs 12,500 crore per year from 2007 to 2011 and about Rs. 13,500 crore per year from 2012 to 2016. In five year tranches, this investment programme amounts to Rs. 70,000 crore from 2002 to 2006, Rs. 62,500 crore from 2007-2011, and Rs. 67,500 crore from 2012-2016, making for a total of about Rs. 200,000 crore over 15 years. However, the business as usual low growth scenario envisages an investment programme of about Rs. 1,30,000 crores over next fifteen years (at 2000-2001 prices). The business as usual medium growth scenario envisages an investment programme of about Rs. 1,60,000 crores over the same period.

The resources for Railways' Plan expenditure are mainly sourced from budgetary support, internal generation and market borrowings. Contribution from the Government is decided on Five Year Plan basis in general and for annual plan in particular. Source-wise investment plan for the X Five Year Plan is under finalisation.